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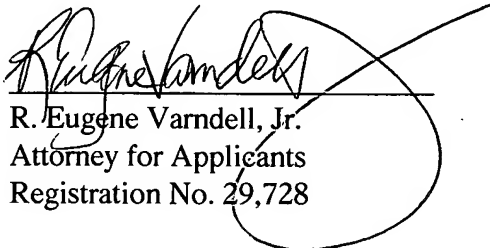
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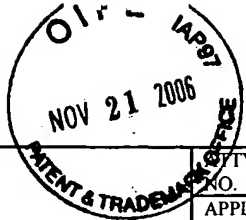
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	US WO 98/31731	07/23/98	BARMORE et al.		

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TRANSLATION

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	YES	NO	
								Eng. Abstract	
	JP 2001-192483 (Corrected publication number of the Japanese publication, "001-192483 A" in the IDS filed on May 9, 2006.)	07/17/01	JAPAN	MINEGISHI et al.					X
	JP 2678299	08/01/97	JAPAN	SUGIMOTO et al.					X

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